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Item	Prior Law	Act 32 Change	Statutory and Act References
Student Limit	22,500 FTE	No Limit	Wis. Stat., sec. 119.23(2)(b), repealed by Act 32 section 2539
Private School Location	School must be located in the city of Milwaukee.	School may be located outside the city of Milwaukee.	Wis. Stat., sec 119.23(2)(a)(intro), amended by Act 32 section 2536
PreAccreditation	Completed by: the Institute of Transformation of Learning at Marquette University (ITL)	Completed by: ITL, Wisconsin North Central Association, the Wisconsin and Religious and Independent School Accreditation (WRISA), the Independent Schools Association of the Central States, the Archdiocese of Milwaukee or any other organization recognized by the National Council for Private School Accreditation.	Wis. Stat., sec. 119.23(2)(a) 7.b., amended by Act 32 section 2536x
Family Application	Student Application: One application for each student.	Family Application: Multiple students may apply using one application if they share the same parent(s)/guardian(s) and address.	Wis. Stats., sec. 119.23(3)(a), amended by Act 32 section 2540b.
Parents/Legal Guardians	Only one parent/guardian was listed on the student application.	The parent(s)/guardian(s) that reside with the student(s) are listed on the application.	Wis. Stats, sec. 119.23(2)(a)1.a and b., amended by Act 32 section 2536c and created by section 2536g.
Family Size	Household Size: All persons residing in the household, whether related or not related, were counted when determining household size for income eligibility purposes.	Family Size: Only parents/guardians and their children are counted in family size for income eligibility purposes. Family size includes parents/guardians, student applicant, and other children who share at least one parent by birth, adoption or by a parent's current marriage.	Wis. Stats., sec. 119.23(2)(a)1.a and b., amended by Act 32 section 2536c and created by section 2536g.

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Marital Status	Not Applicable	If the parents/guardians listed on the application are married their income can be reduced by \$7,000 before applying the income limits.	Wis. Stat., sec. 119.23(2)(a)1 b. created by Act 32 section 2536g.
Income Limit	New Students: 175% of the Federal Poverty Level as calculated under PI 35.05(6). Continuing Students or students with siblings in the program in the prior year: 220% of the Federal Poverty Level as calculated under PI 35.05(6).	All Students: 300% of the Federal Poverty Level as calculated under PI 35.06(6).	Wis. Stat, sec. 119.23(2)(a)1.a. amended by Act 32 section 2536c
Department of Revenue (DOR) Income Method	Not Applicable	Income verification by DOR with parent(s)/guardian(s) social security number(s) or taxpayer ID number(s).	Wis. Stat., sec. 119.23(2)(a)1 b. created by Act 32 section 2536g.
DPI Income Method	Prior Year Tax Return and/or Supplemental Income Forms	Family Eligibility Form and, if applicable, the No Family Income Form	Wis. Stat., sec. 119.23(2)(a)1 b. created by Act 32 section 2536g.
Once In, Always In	Student must meet income limits and residency requirement each year.	A student attending a MPCP school whose income increases may continue to attend a MPCP school. All students must meet residency requirements each year.	Wis. Stat, sec. 119.23(2)(a)1.a. amended by Act 32 section 2536c

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Fees	Students may "attend at no charge."	(3m) (a) A private school participating in the program under this section may not charge or receive any additional payment for a pupil participating in the program under this section other than the payment the school receives under sub. (4) and, if applicable, sub. (4m), if either of the following applies: 1. The pupil is enrolled in a grade from kindergarten to 8. 2. The pupil is enrolled in a grade from 9 to 12 and the family income of the pupil, as determined under sub. (2) (a) 1., does not exceed an amount equal to 2.2 times the poverty level determined in accordance with criteria established by the director of the federal office of management and budget. (b) A private school participating in the program under this section may, in addition to the payment it receives for a pupil under sub. (4) and, if applicable, sub. (4m), charge the pupil tuition and fees in an amount determined by the school if both of the following apply: 1. The pupil is enrolled in a grade from 9 to 12. 2. The family income of the pupil, as determined under sub. (2) (a) 1., exceeds an amount equal to 2.2 times the poverty level determined in accordance with criteria established by the director of the federal office of management and budget. (c) A private school participating in the program under this section shall determine whether the private school may charge additional tuition and fees to a pupil on the basis of the pupil's family income as permitted under par. (b). The private school shall establish a process for accepting an appeal to the governing body of the private school of the determination made under this paragraph. (emphasis added)	Wis. Stat., sec. 119.23(2)(a) intro, amended by Act 32 section 2536 and Wis. Stat., sec. 119.23(3m) created by Act 32 section 2540(m) For additional information see Informational Bulletin 03-02: Student Fees: http://dpi.wi.gov/sms/mpinfbul.html